**TO:** Washington Libraries and Interested Applicants

**FROM:** Jeff Martin

LSTA Administrator

**RE:** Library Council of Washington

**Position Vacancies: Special Libraries** 

The Library Council of Washington requests your help in recruiting qualified individuals to fill five vacancies on the Council representing: Academic Libraries in Four-Year Colleges and Universities (one position), the Disadvantaged (one position), Information Technology (two positions), and Special Libraries (one position).

The Library Council of Washington invites interested library staff to submit an application for these positions. Before submitting an application, please take the time to review the materials and related vacancy information posted on the Washington State Library web site at: <a href="http://www.secstate.wa.gov/library/libraries/dev/council/vacancies.aspx">http://www.secstate.wa.gov/library/libraries/dev/council/vacancies.aspx</a>.

The mission of the Library Council of Washington is to promote access to library service and information resources for all people of Washington State. To meet this commitment, the Council's membership represents a broad range of library community interests. The Council serves as a catalyst for developing and implementing statewide library programs that will improve service at all Washington libraries. The Council also serves to advise the State Librarian and the Office of the Secretary of State on statewide areas of need in library service. More information on Council roles and responsibilities may be found at: <a href="http://www.secstate.wa.gov/library/libraries/dev/council/">http://www.secstate.wa.gov/library/libraries/dev/council/</a>. Other background materials including Council meeting notes may also be found at this location.

Deadline for submission of an application is Friday, September 19, 2008. Review of applications will be conducted by a Library Council nomination subcommittee. The full Council will then be asked to consider the recommendation of the nominations subcommittee at the November 2008 meeting. An appointment recommendation will be forwarded from the full Council to the State Librarian and Secretary of State for consideration. It is anticipated that the persons selected will start service on the Council in January 2009 although the first meeting of the Council in 2009 will not be until March 2009.

The Council meets four times a year, typically in March, May, September, and November. A July meeting is optional based on need. Meeting locations are predominately held in the Puget Sound area although some meetings may take place in other areas of Western Washington and in Eastern Washington. Travel reimbursement is provided in accordance with state travel regulations.

We ask that you further publicize the opening by distributing or posting this memo for review by those that may be interested in serving on the Library Council of Washington.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact myself, Jeff Martin, at 360-704-5248, <a href="martin@secstate.wa.gov">jmartin@secstate.wa.gov</a>, or Anne Yarbrough at 360-704-5246, <a href="martin@secstate.wa.gov">ayarbrough@secstate.wa.gov</a>.